



1 Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct option.

Coffee is popular around the world. (0) over the past centuries, few subjects have been as carefully studied as coffee. Its (1) most important component is caffeine and it has lots of benefits. Coffee has been well-known (2) since the beginning of the 14th century, (3) when Sufi Yemenis started using coffee to stay alert during special activities. It became a popular medicine (4) among Europeans in the 1600s. Caffeine was first (5) described in the 1800s by Ferdinand Runge, a doctor that found out some effects that coffee has on people. Some people say (6) while coffee isn't good, but doctors say you (7) shouldn't believe this. Thanks to caffeine you don't get hungry. Coffee can also reduce headaches and blood problems. (8) because many people believe coffee is bad, studies show it is good for your heart.



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| 0. <input type="radio"/> a. over             | <input type="radio"/> b. by                   | <input type="radio"/> c. across             |
| 1. <input type="radio"/> a. much             | <input type="radio"/> b. more                 | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. most    |
| 2. <input type="radio"/> a. during           | <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. until     | <input type="radio"/> c. since              |
| 3. <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. when  | <input type="radio"/> b. which                | <input type="radio"/> c. who                |
| 4. <input type="radio"/> a. among            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. about     | <input type="radio"/> c. along              |
| 5. <input type="radio"/> a. describe         | <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. described | <input type="radio"/> c. describes          |
| 6. <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. drink | <input type="radio"/> b. drinking             | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. drunk   |
| 7. <input type="radio"/> a. mustn't          | <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. couldn't  | <input type="radio"/> c. wouldn't           |
| 8. <input type="radio"/> a. while            | <input type="radio"/> b. if                   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. because |

2 Read the text and answer the questions.

### JAMES SALTER'S DAYS IN FILM

James Salter was a pilot in the United States Air Force. He abandoned the military profession in 1957 after the publication of his first novel, The Hunters. He is best known as a novelist, but during the sixties and seventies, he worked in film making. Salter made documentaries, wrote texts for films, and even was the director of a film called Three, starring Charlotte Rampling and Sam Waterston. In Passionate Falsehoods, which was adapted from Salter's book Burning the Days, published in The New Yorker in 1997, Salter tells the story of his life in film. Salter's time in the film world is both good and bad. In Rome, he met directors and stars. In New York, he explored the city with Robert Redford



and enjoyed being famous. Deborah Treisman and Michael Agger have talked about Salter. Nick Paumgarten in *The Last Book*, describes Salter's opinion about his film career: "Of sixteen texts for movies, only four were popular. There was money, attractive women, and entrance into rooms where there were stories more for the dinner table than for the page." Salter thought he was wasting his time. Perhaps he wasted his time in a larger artistic way, but it still makes for attractive reading. The *Last Book* is available to everyone in online stores.

1. James Salter is famous for

- a. his books     b. his movies     c. his plays

2. James Salter played an important part in the making of movies from

- a. 1960 to 1979     b. 1960 to 1970     c. 1960 to 1985

3. *Passionate Falsehoods* is

- a. a newspaper     b. a play     c. a movie

4. Salter had nice and difficult times in his

- a. acting years     b. big screen work     c. visit to one city

5. *The Last Book* was written by

- a. James Salter     b. Deborah Treisman     c. Nick Paumgarten

6. James Salter thinks that his work in the cinema business was

- a. not useful     b. not hard     c. not usual

7. Reading about James Salter's years in the cinema could be

- a. clever enough     b. just fair     c. quite interesting

8. *The Last Book* can be found

- a. in museums     b. at a café     c. on the web